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Applicant(s): Michael S. KINCH et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
Serial No.: 09/640,952) Examiner: Unknown
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For: EPHA2 AS A DIAGNOSTIC TARGET FOR METASTATIC CANCER
(As Amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified patent application up for examination, please enter the following amendment:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

14. (Amended) A method of producing an antibody which specifically binds to an intracellular epitope of EphA2 comprising the steps of
injecting tyrosine phosphorylated proteins [into] proximal to lymph nodes of a mammal,
harvesting lymph node cells from the mammal,
fusing lymph node cells with myeloma cells to form hybridomas,
selecting at least one hybridoma producing an antibody which binds to the intracellular epitope of EphA2,
isolating the antibody.

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